

**811—6.1(169) Procedure.**

**6.1(1)** Application to take examination. Any person desiring to take the National Board Examination (NBE) or the Clinical Competency Test (CCT) for a license to practice veterinary medicine shall make application 60 days before the date set for the beginning of the examination to: Bureau of Animal Industry, Board of Veterinary Medicine, Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship, Wallace State Office Building, East 9th and Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 50319, on forms to be provided by the board. The application form shall be completely filled out. The completed application shall include two current passport size and quality photographs of the applicant. Incomplete applications shall be returned to the applicant along with the tendered fee and a written statement setting forth the reasons for such rejections.

The application shall be accompanied by satisfactory evidence of having graduated from an accredited or approved school of veterinary medicine. However, applications for either the NBE or CCT may be accepted without evidence of graduation if the applicant provides satisfactory evidence that the applicant is expected to graduate within six months of the date of the examination.

Applications to take the NBE or CCT will not be accepted from any person who has previously taken and passed that examination in any jurisdiction, except on case-by-case petition to the board for good cause shown or other order of the board.

**6.1(2)** License requirements. Prior to the issuance of a license, the applicant shall:

- a.* Successfully complete the NBE and CCT as provided in rule 811—7.1(169);
- b.* Remit the proper application fee for licensure;
- c.* Graduate from an accredited or approved school of veterinary medicine, or receive a certificate from the Educational Commission for Foreign Veterinary Graduates (ECFVG);
- d.* Provide a statement indicating all jurisdictions in which the applicant is or has ever been licensed to practice veterinary medicine. The applicant shall consent to release to the board license information from jurisdictions in which the applicant is or has ever been licensed;
- e.* The board may require from an applicant or obtain from other sources such other information pertinent to character and education of the applicant as it may deem necessary in order to pass upon the applicant's qualifications; and
- f.* Submit evidence of having completed at least an average of 20 hours of approved continuing education for each year of the previous three years.

Upon payment of the prorated triennial license fee, a license issued upon completion of these requirements is valid through June 30 of the next triennium year.

**6.1(3)** An accredited or approved college of veterinary medicine is a school which has satisfied the "Essential Requirements of an Accredited or Approved College of Veterinary Medicine" as revised and adopted by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA), July 1987, which is hereby adopted by reference. An evaluation by the AVMA Council on Education finding that these criteria are satisfied will be automatically accepted absent sufficient evidence to the contrary.